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**For: Method For Producing A Multilayer Seal And
Multilayer Seal Thereby Obtained**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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A translation only of the Abstract of Japanese Patent Publication 59232627A is provided herewith.

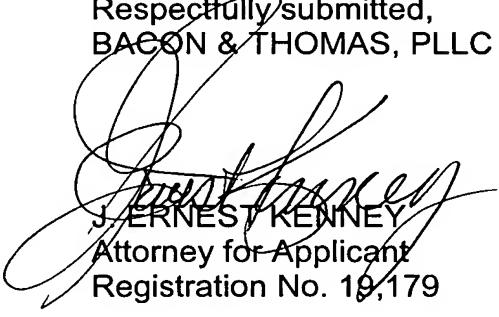
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